

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

Gathered in And Around Town By Our Resident And County Reporters.

Mr. M. M. Hankins, of Bushhead, was in town Tuesday on business.

Ice cream soda always on hand at Tazewell Drug Co's.

Mr. W. M. Hufford, of Wytheville, is on a visit to his son Dr. R. D. Hufford.

Miss Mozelle Partee, of Bluefield W. Va., is visiting Miss Vivien Gillespie, daughter Dr. R. B. Gillespie.

This is the season for croquet. Peery & Dodd can sell you beautiful sets, very cheap.

Mr. Henry Ascue, of Paint Lick, was in town on Wednesday and paid our office a pleasant call.

Mrs. Mollie Carson, of Radford Va. is on a visit to her son-in-law, Mr. W. G. Young, and will be here for some time.

Landon's celebrated soda water, cold and delicious. Try it.

We are informed that the "citizens' ticket," known as the "dry ticket," won by a large majority in the election at Richlands on the 27th ult.

Mr. E. D. Brown advertises his restaurant in this issue of the REPUBLICAN. He is prepared to furnish good board and lodging at reasonable rates. Call on him.

A full line of fancy and staple groceries always on hand for the customers of Peery & Dodd.

Mr. E. L. Wright, late editor of the Clinch Valley News, left on Tuesday afternoon for Hagerstown, Md., where he will take up his residence for the present.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Sallie May Haynes and Mr. H. G. Peery, Jr., which will take place next week at the residence of Rev. L. K. Haynes, father of the bride.

Lemon phosphate as a cool and refreshing drink has no equal. Try Landon's.

The numerous frosts during the month of May did great damage to the corn in certain sections of the county, and also wrought great injury to some vegetables and grapes.

Mr. E. E. Workman, foreman of the REPUBLICAN office, has brought his family to Tazewell, and will move into the house until recently occupied by Mr. W. L. Boone, on Railroad Avenue.

Fresh candies are so much better than stale candies. Peery & Dodd get fresh candies regularly.

Mr. James W. Wall has painted a very beautiful sign for the REPUBLICAN News and Job office, which now swings at the front of the REPUBLICAN building. Mr. Wall is an artist in his line.

Col. A. J. May, Mr. D. H. Smith, Judge S. C. Graham and Mr. J. W. Chapman, who attended the trial of the rules at Petersburg before Judge Jackson, as counsel, got back to Tazewell on Tuesday afternoon.

Col. J. S. Browning continues to mine coal at Pocahontas, and hauls it in wagons to a point where he can put it on cars for shipment. He will continue to mine as much as he was getting out before he lost the use of his lip.

The Tazewell Drug Company comes before our readers this week with a new advertisement, to which we call your attention. The company is better equipped than ever before, and is ready to serve its customers with care and promptness.

Are you going fishing? If so get your tackle from Peery & Dodd. They have all kinds at proper prices.

Prof. H. C. Benton, of Tazewell Seminary has been elected, at a salary of \$1500. Superintendent of Schools for the towns of West Stockbridge, Sheffield, Richmond, New Marlboro and Egremont, Mass. The schools employ fifty-eight teachers. There were over fifty applicants for the position.

On Tuesday afternoon, Margie Harrison, the little daughter of Mr. W. G. Harrison, while in the yard of her grandfather, Col. Jos. Harrison, slipped and fell and dislocated her left arm at the elbow. Drs. Gillespie & Hall were called in and gave necessary surgical relief. The little patient is now doing as well as could be expected.

Pratt's cattle food will make your cow give richer milk and make more butter. Peery & Dodd have the food.

Rev. Jas. E. Bear, who spent several years as a missionary in China, delivered a very interesting talk in the Presbyterian church at this place on last Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. He devoted all his time to telling of the work that is being done, and what it is accomplishing for the good of the heathen. Mr. Bear is making his arrangements to return to China in July or August.

Mrs. M. M. Seaver, of Marion, Va., who came to Tazewell to spend several weeks with friends and relatives was forced to cut her visit short. She went with her children to Graham, where the little one's became exposed to the measles. She thought it prudent to return to her home before the children got sick, and left for Marion on last Saturday. Mr. Seaver came over to Tazewell and took them home.

Do you like to swing in a hammock? It is very restful. You can find all styles of hammocks at Peery & Dodd's.

On our visit to Burke's Garden last week we had the pleasure of meeting our old-time friend Mr. F. L. Suter, of Bland County. He and Mrs. Suter were attending the closing exercises of the Academy, where they had two bright boys during the last session. Albert, the youngest of the two boys, spoke in the first class declamation contest and Hubert spoke in the other. Both made fine declamations and ranked high in their respective contests.

On last Sunday morning, just before noon, Herbert McCall, the thirteen old son of Mr. Jno W. McCall, was thrown from his horse near the residence of Mr. G. A. Martin, two miles east of town, and had both bones of his right arm broken above the wrist. The little fellow was taken to Mr. Martin's house, and Dr. Gillespie & Hall promptly sent for. They gave the necessary surgical attention, and Herbert went to his home, at Unaka, in the afternoon.

BURKE'S GARDEN ACADEMY

Holds Very Successful Closing Exercises.

LARGE CROWDS ATTEND.

Interesting Programme and Lively Contests for Prizes, With Entertainment by B. G. L. and M. Circle.

When we heard last week that the closing exercises of Burke's Garden Academy were to take place, beginning on Thursday afternoon and extending over Friday, a strong desire sprang up in the breast of the writer to attend. We did not succeed in our purpose until Friday morning, when an early start from home enabled us to reach the Academy in time for the morning programme, which was fixed to begin at 10 o'clock. Upon our arrival we were informed by visitors who had attended that we had missed a very interesting entertainment that had taken place on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The programme was handed us and was as follows:

Thursday, 4 o'clock p. m.—Prayer; opening chorus—Hail Columbia. Contest—first class—Mary Etta Greever, "From Death to Life;" Tillie Moss, "Father's Way;" Annie Mahood, "The Little Christ Child. Instrumental duet—"Columbian Gallop." Lelia Greever, "Why should the Spirit of Mortal be Proud?" Katie Greever, "The Tapestry Weavers;" Lena May Wynn, "The Old Chapel Bell." Chorus, Aud Lang Syne. Contest—second class—Nannie Greever, "Hagar;" Annie Moss, "The Knight and the Lady." Vocal quartet—"Brightly Now the Moon is Beaming." Mary King, "The Teacher's Diadem;" Gertrude Howell, "The Wonderful One Hoss Shay." Instrumental duet—march—Emma and Hattie Greever. Emma Greever, "The Death of Absalom;" Hattie Greever, "The Arab's Farewell to His Steed." Instrumental duet—"Electric Flash Gallop." (Goedeler.) Misses Maggie Greever and Nannie Campbell. Fannie Groseclose, "Ginevra;" Bettie Boling, Paul Revere's Ride. Chorus of female voices—Sweet Afternoon.

The prize in the first class was awarded to Miss Lelia Greever and in the second to Miss Gertrude Howell. The prizes were beautiful rings, but were not presented until Friday morning, when the presentation addresses were made by Mr. E. L. Greever and Rev. Mr. Mathison, of Bland C. H. The recitations of the prize winners were pronounced by competent judges to be very fine, and it was also declared that all the young ladies who are mentioned on the programme acquitted themselves with grace and great credit.

The exercises on Friday forenoon consisted of recitations by little girls and boys, two lively contests between the boys and youths of the academy for a prize (Youth's Companion for one year) and a gold medal, instrumental and vocal selections, scarf drill etc. The following was the order of the entertainment:

Friday, 10 o'clock a. m.—Prayer. Opening chorus—The Mellow Horn. Primary department—Nannie Rose Moss, "Elizabeth Ann;" Maggie Moss, "When the Teacher Gets Cross." Instrumental duet—"Merry-making in the Garden." (Neumann.) Nannie Greever and Gertrude Howell. Otto Greever, "A Little Bird Tells;" Charlie Moss, "The Duel;" Oscar Moss, "Going to the Fair;" Harvey Greever, "Little Cousin Jasper;" Carl Kitts, "If I Were You." Instrumental duet—"Tn Soldiers' Guard." (Lebrier.) Hattie Greever and Bettie Boling. Henry Peery, "A Tale of Hard Times;" Frank Moss, "Paging Away;" George Moss, "Jane Jones;" Kelly Wynn, "History of a Lie." Chorus—My Mountain Home. Contest—first class: George Rhudy, "My Double;" Albert Suter, "Don't You See?" Willie Moss, "The Student." Instrumental duet—Gypsy Queen Waltz, (Goedeler.) May Etta Greever and Miss Maggie Greever. Clint Moss, "The Scholar;" Frank Forbes, "There is a God;" Clarence Rhudy, "Jimmie Brown's Steam Chair;" Herschel Eagle, "The North American Indian." Chorus—The Bonnie Blue Flag. Contest for gold medal—second class: Joe Moss, "The Hand of God in History;" Hubert Suter, "Liberty and Union." Vocal duet—"Whispering Hope;" Misses Maggie Greever and Nannie Campbell. Clint Stowers, "The Closing Year;" Will Moss, "The Southern Soldier." Instrumental duet—Negro Dance, (Garritt.) Emma and Hattie Greever. Newton Rhudy, "A Dream of Greatness." Vocal duet—"Buy a Broom." Scarf drill; award of prizes; closing chorus, "Good Bye."

The writer was made a member of the committee of five who sat as judges in the contests. No prize was given in the Primary Department; but a number of the recitations of the little boys and girls were so good that they were worthy to receive a prize.

The declamations of the members of the two classes were excellent, and the contests were very close in both, the successful boy, in each, winning by a mere fraction. The committee, by request, did not announce its decisions until the night entertainment.

At 7:30 p. m. the hall of the Academy was packed, as it had been on each occasion, with an eager and expectant crowd to witness the entertainment of the Burke's Garden Literary and Musical Circle, whose membership was made up with teachers and pupils of the Academy and young ladies and gentlemen of the Garden.

The programme was a good one, was well rendered and gave much pleasure to the audience. The programme was as follows:

Friday evening, 7:30 o'clock—Regular formal opening of the Circle. Chorus—Music in the air. Selections from "Samantha at Saratoga," by Josiah Allen's Wife—(a) Samantha and Josiah at Saratoga. Music—chorus of female voices with autoharp. (b) Ardelia Tutt and her mother visit Saratoga. Cast—"Samantha," Miss Nannie Campbell; "Josiah," Mr. Robert Moss; "Ardelia Tutt," Miss Pearl Snapp; "Miss Tutt," Miss Ida Greever. Instrumental duet—Moszkowski's Spanish Dance.

No. 3, Misses M. Moss and M. Greever. Essay, The Solar Corona, Miss Mamie Moss. Instrumental duet—Le Dames du Seville, Misses Pearl and Gussie Snapp. Mrs. Jarley's Wax Figger Show: "Peter, Jarley," Miss Maggie Greever; "Peter," "John" and "Little Nell"—Albert Suter, Clarence Rhudy and Annie Mahood. (a) Chamber of Modern Wonders—Doctor Toxicolipuff, Will Moss; The Washer Woman, May Moss; The Woman Who Refused a New Spring Bonnet, May Moss; The Woman Who Kept a Secret, Bessie Snapp. (b) Chamber of Celebrities—The Drummer, A. S. Greever; Alexander the Great, Clint Moss; Rebecca and Rowena, Mollie Rosenbaum and Emma Greever; Prof. Chigglengogon, R. S. Moss; The Politician, J. N. Rhudy. (c) The Chamber of Notorious Curiosities—The Chinese Giant, Fannie Groseclose; The Two-headed Girl, J. N. H. G. S.; The Boy on the Burning Deck, Hubert Suter; Signora Squalina, Ida Greever; Mother Goose, Pearl Snapp. Chorus—Polly Wolly Doodle All the Day.

At the conclusion of the B. G. L. and M. Circle entertainment, the prize and medal awarded in the declamation contests were presented. The first, which was a subscription of one year to the Youths Companion, was presented to Clint Moss, the successful contestant, by Mr. Thomas Thompson. The presentation speech of Mr. Thompson was full of good thought and advice. The gold medal for the successful contestant in the second class, was then presented to Will Moss by Wm. C. Pendleton. This concluded the closing exercises of the Academy.

Burke's Garden is to be congratulated on having such an excellent educational institution in the very center of its beautiful and fertile valley. Prof. A. S. Greever, the principal, and his assistants, Misses Nannie Campbell and Maggie Greever, have been doing efficient and telling work in the literary and musical line, as was evidenced by the excellent quality of the various exercises.

Our trip to the Garden was refreshing and enjoyable. The generous hospitality extended to us by its people, as well as the visit to the school, caused many wrinkles to disappear from our brow.

Peery & Dodd have a large supply of flower pots, different sizes. Prices lower than ever before.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK.

A Lively and Alarming Shakeup Extending Over Large Territory.

On Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock the heaviest earthquake shock that has been known in this locality in the memory of the oldest citizens, was felt. It was felt not only by persons who were in houses but by those standing and walking on the streets. The shock was preceded by a low, rumbling noise somewhat similar to thunder or the jar of heavy machinery. The houses began to tremble and the earth to quake. People rushed from their homes in wild consternation. One young lady was so alarmed that she fainted. It is amusing to hear the different experiences of persons who felt the shock. The editor had just left his home in the east end and was on his way to the REPUBLICAN office. We heard the roaring, rushing noise, but at first could not determine what it meant, until the earth began to tremble and we saw people rushing from their houses and heard them screaming "earthquake."

The brick buildings on Main Street were very much shaken, and the occupants were greatly agitated when they heard windows and wares on the shelves of the stores rattling in that peculiar way that comes only from an earthquake. The occupants of such houses were not long in getting out on the solid but trembling earth.

From newspaper and telegraphic accounts, the shock extended over considerable territory, the severest shocks that were experienced were at points in Northern North Carolina, and in Southwest Virginia.

The most violent and long continued of which we have heard was at Petersburg, the county seat of Giles County, Va. From a gentleman who was there at the time we have received the following graphic description of the awful visitant:

"The Judge of the circuit court had just delivered his opinion on the rules issued in the case of Browning vs. S. W. Va. Imp. Co., and I had accompanied my associates to a law office for consultation. Just as we were seated, and without any warning, sharp at 2 o'clock, p. m., the furious earthquake was shaking things up. The assemblage was broken by a leap into the yard. Imagine the sharpest peal of thunder you ever heard nearest you, then increase this crash three-fold and you will have some idea of the actual noise; sharp, strong and appalling. It seemed that the rock strata under the old town was being crushed to powder by some mysterious agency, and the noise was as great as if it were all grinding. The earth rocked, the buildings trembled, and that deaf and crazy feeling that seizes one when awful and uncontrollable dangers are about, caught every soul. The houses cracked and reeled; the bricks flew from off the houses; riding horses secured to the racks about, broke loose and fled and neighed; the dust arose from the rolling earth and trembling houses like the sweep from a chimney; men in maudlin craziness counselled coolness; waltzed in each others arms, others leaped fences and held their hands over their heads; women screamed and fled with their little ones; children cried and ran around aimless and helpless; some wags had two cub bears on the court green and the little fellows scampered up the trees and whined."

"While all looked terribly ugly, indeed for a while, no real or serious damage was done; the noise was far exaggerated, no doubt, above the force at work beneath; and the knowing ones say that New River is on the track of the earthquake, that the mountains there had concentrated its force and that the subterranean caverns beneath that quiet old town, gave echo to the quaking ravager. The consequent settling of the earth that evening was sublime and impressive, now and then the ominous rumbling sounds resembling the far off fury of a thunder storm. The waters ran muddy and great boulders weighing tons were thrown from the cliffs along the railway into the river."

RULES FOR CONTEMPT

In Browning-S. W. Va. Improvement Co. Controversy

DISPOSED OF.

Judge Jackson Hears Oral Testimony and Arguments of Counsel—Rules Discharged.

In our last issue we gave an account of the transactions which had led to the issuing of a rule for contempt, by Judge Jackson, for an alleged violation of the injunction order granted by him in the case of Jas. S. Browning vs. The Southwest Virginia Improvement Company. The parties against whom the rule was issued and upon whom it was served were cited to appear at the court house of Giles County, Va., before Judge Jackson, on Thursday, the 27th day of May, 1897, to show cause, if any they could, why they should not be fined, attached and otherwise dealt with for the alleged contempt of the court in violating said injunction order.

The parties on whom the rule was served did appear in person before Judge Jackson, at the time and place in the order mentioned, and presented sworn answers to the rule.

The proceeding being of a criminal or quasi criminal nature the burden rested upon the complainants, at whose instance the rule was issued, to prove that the Southwest Va. Imp. Co., its officers and agents had violated the injunction order entered in the case of Browning vs. Southwest Va. Imp. Co. The plaintiffs to the rule introduced oral testimony for the purpose of showing that part of the defendants to the rule were the agents, servants and employees of the Southwest Va. Improvement Co., and by their conduct, in tearing up a portion of the track leading to the Browning mines and placing a building across the track, had violated the restraining order of the court granted in the injunction proceeding.

We are informed that the complainants also undertook to prove that the officers of the Southwest Va. Imp. Co., Mr. Lang and others had violated said injunction order in colluding with the Flat Top Coal Land Association.

The defendants introduced no oral testimony but rested their case on the sworn answers which they had filed.

Arguments were then made by counsel for the parties, plaintiff and defendant. It was opened by Judge S. W. Williams for the plaintiffs, who was followed by Capt. F. S. Blair and Judge John H. Fulton for the defendants. The case was closed by Mr. J. W. Chapman for the plaintiffs. The arguments, we are informed, were all forcible, but we have heard those of Mr. J. W. Chapman and Judge Fulton spoken of as being unusually strong legal arguments. The arguments were closed on Saturday evening at 5 o'clock, and the case submitted to Judge Jackson. He took time

to consider thereof and reserved his decision until Monday. On Monday afternoon he read an opinion, deciding that the evidence offered by the plaintiffs did not support the contention that the Southwest Va. Imp. Co., its agents or employees had violated the injunction order or colluded with others, that is, The Flat Top Coal Land Association, in doing so. The court then entered an order discharging the rules against all the parties, requiring each side to pay its own costs.

Judge Jackson refused to enlarge the injunction granted by Judge Cassell, of the Hastings Court of Radford City, in the case of Flat Top Coal Land Association vs. Browning and wife, and said injunction expired on the 1st inst.

In addition to the lawyers who argued the rule before Judge Jackson, there were present, as counsel for the respective parties, Judge S. C. Graham, Col. A. J. May and Mr. D. H. Smith, of Tazewell.

Lost—Somewhere in town by my little girl, a solid gold ring with a "W" on inside, also a solid gold necklace with a number of small brilliants attached. If found by any one and they will return them to me I will pay them a liberal reward.

Ms. W. W. Moore.

Quarterly Meeting.

The third quarterly meeting for the present year will be held in the Methodist church on next Saturday and Sunday, Rev. J. Tyler Frazier, presiding elder, will be present, and will have charge of the meeting.

The quarterly conference will be held on Saturday at 3 p. m.

If you wish to have your picture enlarged I can save you 25 to 50 per cent. on all grades of work. E. W. Dobb.

Business Openings in Virginia.

Mr. Paul Scherer, immigration agent, and Mr. W. B. Bevil, general passenger agent of the Norfolk and Western railway have gotten out an interesting six page folder, which is full of valuable statistics as to the resources and industries of Virginia. The object of the pamphlet is to encourage young business men to come from the North and West and make their homes in the Old Dominion. Among the business openings it mentions are farming, commission merchants, textile industries, chemical products, mineral industries, timber, and many others which can be made to pay in connection with farming. The Norfolk and Western has done a vast deal for the development of Virginia's resources, and this last movement of Messrs. Bevil and Scherer, as its representatives, is a most commendable one, which we hope will bear much fruit.

Tired, Nervous, Sleepless

Men and women—how gratefully they write about Hood's Sarsaparilla. Once helpless and discouraged, having lost all faith in medicine, now in good health and "able to do my own work," because Hood's Sarsaparilla has power to enrich and purify the blood and make the weak strong—this is the experience of a host of people.

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Meeting for prayer, Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.
P. M. Sabbath School at 9:30 P. M.
Meeting of Epworth League each Monday night at 7:30, the third Monday night of each month being devoted to literary work.
A most cordial welcome is extended to all.
ISAAC P. MARTIN, Pastor.

A Card.
As it seems that a great many of my friends and customers are under the impression that I have sold my drug store, and have gone out of business I write this in order to correct the error. While it is true that I have sold my store yet I can be found at the same old stand, and am better prepared to serve you than ever before, and the fact that I am not the owner of the store at present should make no difference to you. The store under the new management not only has more money to keep a larger and better stock, but with the assistance of Mr. Jackson, who is a graduate of the New York College of Pharmacy, we can promise you better service. Thanking you for past favors, and with a right to expect your patronage in the future, I am,
Yours Truly,
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The baseball season is here. Boys love to play the game. They like good balls and well shaped bats. Peery & Dodd have the best.

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GOMEZ TO VISIT US.
A Report Says the Rebel Chieftain Wishes to See the President.
[Philadelphia Press.]
Private advices received in this city last night direct from Havana are to the effect that General Maximo Gomez, commander-in-chief of the Cuban army, is about to visit the United States to confer with President McKinley and Secretary Sherman, with reference to this government's attitude in Cuban affairs.

Local Cuban leaders when seen last night would neither deny nor affirm the news, but it is known that Gomez has decided upon coming within a few weeks and that he will proceed at once to Washington.

The Havana advices, which are from the Cuban Junta, in that city, state that Gomez, for the time being, will resign his position as commander-in-chief in favor of General Calixto Garcia, and that Gomez will then be made secretary of war in place of General Roloff. This latter is to enable Gomez to leave Cuba, a thing he could not do properly while remaining head of the revolutionary army.

It is stated that Gomez has had the idea of visiting the United States under consideration for some time past. He has believed that the cession of Cuba has not been properly laid before the American government, and he feels that should he personally see the President a firmer policy with regard to Cuba would be instituted.

General Gomez does not doubt the ability of Minister Palma and Mr. Quesada to lay before the Washington authorities the case of Cuba in a general way, but he believes the actual state of affairs in the island are really unknown at Washington.

Among other things it is the purpose of the Cuban commander-in-chief to explain to the President the workings of the civil as well as the military branches of the insurgent government. He proposes to show that his army is supported by funds and taxes secured by the branches of the government presided over by Cisneros.

Gomez will come to the United States with a special commission as delegate from the republic of Cuba to the United States. He will also carry a commission to the Cuban Junta in New York, showing him as secretary of war of the insurgent republic.

The exact date of Gomez's departure from the island is not known, and it probably will not be announced, since the Spaniards would exert every energy to capture the Cuban Napoleon.

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